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Just Asking...

Hello, and welcome to my story!

Please comment on what I should improve in my story, and it to your library to get notifications when a new chapter comes out! I'll try to update regularly, as in every few days. (one month later: lol jk every two weeks!) This story does have some parts that are not aligned with the books since I started writing this before I became a huge FanWing and reread the books a million times, so this is a bit of an AU.

There are also LGBTQ+ dragons. If you are uncomfortable with that you can skip chapter 15- or just leave the book.

Enjoy!

-Wren

Edit: (many many months later)

Yeah.....In search of a golden dragon, it won't be updating any time soon. I'm sorry! Feel free to continue it if you'd like?

Chapter 1~~ Bye Bye Leaf! (Ivy)

[image]

Art by me ^^ al characters except the snail belongs to tui :3

Edit: I made some of the writing a bit better, also I'm probably going to change that art to a better one.

"Are you sure you saw the Golden Dragon on this mountain?"Leaf shouted over the wind to Ivy.

"Yes, I'm sure!" Ivy called eagerly "She was with a Rainforest Dragon, a Swamp Dragon, a Sea Dragon, and a few Night Dragons!"

Ivy had been searching for the Golden Dragon ever since it flew away with the Desert Dragons' treasure. She was trying to get it back to her dad, in hopes of his forgiveness. They had been searching for weeks with no result until Ivy spotted the dragon on Jade Mountain. Now she, Wren, and Leaf were riding on Sky to the summit of the mountain in hopes of finding any trace of the Golden Dragon

Despite Ivy's outward eagerness, she had serious doubts about their plan, such as, *what if the dragon isn't there anymore? What if it's in one of the caves? Then we'd have to search them one by one, and that would take forever. What if something happens while were flying? What if--*

Sky interrupted her thoughts, "Let's collect some food, because, yeesh, three scavengers riding on my back is SO TIRESOME."

Wren Laughed. "Okay mopey pants, we can get some food. but be warned, if there are no fruits or veggies, you might have to survive on a dead animal," she said sarcastically. Ivy grinned.

Ivy noticed Sky scanning the ground anxiously as if trying to make sure that he didn't have to eat a dead animal, muttered something about not having pants, then slowly circled down towards what looked like a patch of wild berries.

Leaf hopped down and ran into the forest "m'kay gotta go pee don't leave without me, BYE"

Wren grinned "Got it," she said smugly, even though Leaf was out of earshot.

Ivy bent down to pick some berries when she heard a scream.

Her head shot up instantly, and she locked terrified eyes with Wren.

"That was Leaf," Wren said, and both of them ran towards Leaf's General Direction.

Then Wren stopped in her tracks and ducked under a bush. She motioned for Ivy to do the same. Then, Ivy saw what Wren had seen. There, right in front of their eyes, was an Ice dragon, with Leaf struggling in its talons. Then the Ice Dragon spread its wings, and shot up into the sky, still clutching Leaf.

Chapter 2~~ Inside the Mountian (Leaf)

Author's note: Icicle in this book is actually Winter, and Leaf is the scavenger that Winter named Bandit, "Gribli" Is Quibli and the caves that they are in are Jade Mountain at JMA

****and the translations from dragon to English I'll post beneath the paragraph in bold. :) (comment, if that gets annoying or something)****

Leaf woke up but was too exhausted to open his eyes. from what he could feel, there were furs draped over him, and he was on a hard surface, rocking back and forth. He blinked open his eyes.

"WhereamI...AAAAARGH!" Leaf had looked down and instantly regretted it. he was about 50 feet in the air, in a cage dangling dangerously from one of the Ice Dragon's paws. To his surroundings, there were about 6 other Ice Dragons flying with the one that had captured it. Leaf shuddered and huddled into a tight ball in the center of his cage wrapped his blankets around him, the ominous mountain growing ahead.

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There were two Night Dragons at the entrance of the cave that the Ice Dragons seemed to be headed towards. Both of the Night Dragons had strange silver teardrop scales by their eyes, which Leaf thought was an odd yet strangely beautiful extension for them. Leaf desperately wanted to take a closer look, but one of them ran off before they landed.

"Roowwgh!" The one that hadn't run away said enthusiastically to the Ice Dragon "roughga rogh gra-grada Groogh! graa grrrrouw--" It

handed Leaf's capture 2 scrolls, and then caught sight of Leaf. "Gro grr??"It asked pointing at Leaf.

"Hi, I'm Fatespeaker!" "Welcome to Jade Mountian Acadamy! here's a list of--" "is that a scavenger?"

Leaf's capturer's gaze softened as he looked at Leaf. "Grrouuu" It confirmed. "Graa groo gggrrr rrr. Hisss GGGr"

"Yes" "I found him in the forest crouching behind a bush with his bottom furs off. he's my pet"

Then it stopped talking immediately, glancing at his tribe members It ducked head at other glaring Ice Dragons then shoved the Night Dragon aside while growling. "Grr groo-groo Gra *Gro*-gro, *Grra Grrro,"* IT put on an expressionless face and stormed bast a banner that said something in dragon, and stormed into a cave with two platform-beds, one made out of cool stone, another covered in sand.

"But Its none of *your* business, *Night Wing"*

Leaf *really* wished Wren was here. The Ice Dragons were *so confusing* - especially his captor, which he mentally named "Icicle" based on his personality.

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"HISSSSSSS GROO Gra Gri Gribli!" A Desert Dragon announced to Icicle, appearing in their cave and flinging himself on to the sandy ledge. "Groo, GRooW GrRr?" It asked, poking Icicle in the wing. Icicle had been feeding dead animals to Leaf. un cooked, and fresh. he had just finished throwing up.

"Hellooooooooo! my name's Quibli!" "Igloo-Face? Hello? what's yours? Igloo-face?"

Icicle hissed something under his breath and breathed a thin bit of frost on the edge of "Gribli's" wing.

Leaf gapped at the ice on Gribli's wing. He had heard of the power of the Ice Dragons from Ivy, but never quite believed it until now, as Gribli yelped back in pain and arched his scorpion-like tail at

Icicle.

Leaf jumped up. the sting could *kill* Icicle.

"STOP!" he yelled although he knew the dragons couldn't understand him. "STOP! YOU'D KILL HIM!" He searched his mind for an excuse. The first one to come to mind was "I NEED HIM TO PROTECT ME!"

"...unless he is planning to eat me," Leaf silently added on, cringing "*honestly, a dragon? protecting me? Come on, Leaf, get your head straight."*

Gribl peered at Leaf, his black eyes watching Leaf's every movement, then turned to Icicle

"GRaa gree Hisss rrr grrow?" He asked Icicle. "GROOOOOOOOOOOOOOOWROW?" he begged, pouting his snout a little.o

"Can I play with your scavenger?" "PLEEEEEEAAAAASE???"

"Gra," Icicle growled reluctantly. "GRRRr, rr Hsss!" It snapped as Gribli ran towards Leaf's cage.

"Fine... But don't you DARE eat it!"

Leaf backed to the opposite side of his cage in fright, as Gribli's paw came closer and closer. he opened the latch, and, to Leaf's imminent surprise, stepped aside to let him out

"*Is he... freeing me?"* leaf thought, confused. *"Or he's letting me out so he can stab me with his tail. Think the reality, Leaf."*

Despite his negative thoughts, Leaf cautiously slipped out of his cage and onto the cool stone of the cave.

He looked at the curious looks from both the dragons. and cautiously said the only word he knew in Dragon.

Hi, he thought, trying to mimic the sounds that Wren had taught him. "GRee RRrr," he said waving at Gribli.

"Camel Spit"

Icicle snorted in amusement and earned a glare from Gribli, who shot a slightly amused, slightly aggregated glance at Leaf.

"GRa GRIII Gra RRowge," Gribli said

"Alright, I'm picking him up."

Icicle and Leaf both tensed as Gribli bent down. When Leaf saw paws reaching down, he was on his feet at an instant running down the tunnels.

"ROOOOOAAAAAAAAARRRRRRR! Gro RRR Hiss GRAAAA GEEE GRRRRRRRRRRRR GRAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA!!!!!!!!!!!!!" Icicle roared at Gribli, then sprang and ran after Leaf.

"*Actual roar.* Look what you did! He's going to be eaten alive out there, you moon-blasted sand wing idiot clawmate!!! DON'T just SIT THERE!!!"

Leaf ran even faster, his feet changing from sore to burning to numb, along the cold rocky caves. He rounded a corner and froze. In front of him was a madhouse lashing claws, teeth, and scales of all colors. all color drained from his face as what felt like every single hungry snout stare at him. before he could pivot and RUN, there were dragons everywhere grabbing and lashing out at him. his mind raced thinking about the story that Rowen told him. a human thrown into a crowd of dragons and the dragon biting his head off, then stuffing the rest in its mouth. *No no no no NO.* Would that be his future? would the last time he saw wren and Ivy be as he was running off to piss? His heart beat faster and faster, claws inches away from his head.

"I need to hide. I need to get out of here. I NEED TO HIDE"

then black talons wrapped around him blocking his escape.

Chapter 3 ~~ uh-oh. (Wren)

[image]

Author's note: This song is how I picture Undauntable in Dragonslayer, except without the wig. :)

Wren ran through the woods to Sky, who, apparently, hadn't heard Leaf's cry, thanks to a snail squiggling over his talons.

"SKY!" Wren shouted, "SKY! QUICK! LEAF'S BEEN TAKEN BY AN ICE WING! SKY!"

Sky sat up abruptly "What?? Where are they going?!"

"I DON'T KNOW!-- WAIT, THE MOUNTIAN, I THINK!! HURRY!"

"Rrg, you don't have to *yell*, I'm right here. Climb on! Wait, where's Ivy!?"

"I THINK -oops, sorry, I think she's frozen in shock after watching her future boyfriend taken!"

"Wait, WHAT?"

"Just go! She's over there!"

Sky ran through the forest with Wren on his back, (wren very nearly being smacked by branches more than 6 times) grabbed Ivy as he was running, spread his wings, and launched himself into the air. It seemed he was flapping as fast as he could, chasing after them, but the Ice Wings had already disappeared into one of the caves.

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"You have that friend, right?" Ivy asked. They were sitting at the base of Jade Mountain brainstorming ways to rescue Leaf, if he even was still alive. "That prince that likes you? Maybe he could help us."

Wren whipped her head around to glared at her.

Ivy had been suggesting random things for a while, but *this*, Wren thought, was the stupidest idea yet.

"What?"

"If I go there again, he will *literally* send guards and force me to marry him."

"Right, of course. But still..."

"Wait." Sky interrupted, sensing an argument. "If Ivy goes with you..." he trailed off, knowing Wren would finish his sentence.

"Then *two* of us could get captured! Wow, good thinking Sky!" Wren said in mock cheerfulness.

"No, because I would be hiding nearby, and you could call for me, and I burn him to a crisp!"

"You don't have fire, Sky."

"I know," he responded, matter-of-factly.

Wren sighed.

"What about the golden dragon?" Ivy added on suddenly. "What if she can help us?"

"What do you mean?" Wren questioned.

"Well, if we could find her, she could help us find the dragon who stole Leaf, we don't go to undauntable, boom, end of the story. "

Wren paused.

"Ok. Fine. let's go look for your dragon."

Chapter 4~~ an Epic Love Triangle Begins (Leaf)

Leaf panicked. He kicked at the black tanlons around him. He bit and kicked and lashed out as hard as he could but nothing seemed to hurt the Night Dragon. It was determined to keep it in one place.

Leaf sighed, and slumped down against the paw of the dragon, thinking. *None of this would have happened, if I had JUST used the bathroom in a different spot, I could still be alive 3 days from now.* He thought, then reluctantly chuckled to himself. *Who knew, peeing in the right spot could be a life or death choice.*

The dragon said in a small growl, "rooiw grrow rrrrow hissss."

It's all right. I'm not going to hurt you.

Then he remembered another lesson Wren had taught him and Ivy. She called it "Dragon Survival." She had taught them the words "going," "hurt," "eat," and "safe," and face contexts to determine whether or not the dragon was going to eat you. Leaf had tried multiple times to see the dragon's face, but it had turned its head towards the entrance of the cave. So, Leaf used his amazing deduction skills to determine, that he was most certainly going to be eaten alive.

Then he followed the night dragon's gaze across the room to the opening of the cave.

"Gra GRRR row hiss HISSSSssss grrrrOW, groooowl grrow." Hissed Icicle at the Night Dragon

You have ten seconds to give me back my scavenger before I slice your face off.

Leaf looked hopefully at Icicle in a way that he hoped, said "HELP MEEEEEEEE !!" but got no response whatsoever from the cold icewing. Instead, Icicle walked over and started sneering things into the Nightwing's face. (Which Leaf had mentally named Night, and assumed was a girl.) Night looked afraid, her face growing more fearful with everything Icicle said, but stubbornly held her clutch on Leaf. *Dang, she must be hungry*, leaf thought. After a few more growls, she even wrapped her wings around Leaf, as if to tell Icicle that she wasn't going to surrender Leaf. A moment later, Grbli appeared beside Icicle and started to join in in the growl session.

Leaf groaned. He had literally no idea what was going on. Are they going to eat him? Freeze him? Stab him? Continue to squish him with their talons? Bore him to death with their endless arguing? Leaf was looking fearfully at Night when he caught a glance of pink scales.

Oooh, I thought, *a Rainforest Dragon! I heard they're vegetarian dragons, maybe it'll convince them* not *to eat me?* Who he saw next made his heart jump. *THE GOLDEN DRAGON !! leaf thought.*

"HEEEEYY! GOLDEN DRAGON! It's ME! REMEMBER WHEN YOU DIDN'T EAT ME? YEAH! CAN YOU DO THAT AGAIN?"

The golden dragon tilted his head at him, then purred something to the other dragons. To his surprise, the pink rainforest dragon ran over to a pile of fruit, brought back a blueberry, and presented it to Leaf. He looked suspiciously at the Dragon but still reached up to take the blueberry.

Welp. I'm stuck. and I need ideas. the only one I have is skipping to after Leaf is out f JMA, but I don't know ... wait. I re read and realized that was a terrible ending to my chaepter. uh. lets just move on!

Heeyyyyyy someone gave me an idea! yaay! thank you,

CHAPTER 5 ~~ Dreams? They're Never Real (Wren)

Finding the Golden Dragon proved, once again, SO INURITING because it seemed IMPOSSIBLE. they had been trying to find her for WEEKS and nowLEAF was MISSING and what do they do? KEEP LOING FOR THE G**D**** GOLDEN DRAGON!!!! It was a HORRIBLE decision if you asked Wren. she regretted it. she wanted to GRAB ivy's dram visitor and DREAM THE HEC* OUTTA THE ICE DRAGON TO SEE WHERE IT WAS--- oh wait- actually- yes!

"Ivy! Sky" she said in a surprisingly un-Wren-like voice. "I have a *wonderful* idea!"

"Oh *wonderful,* isn't it!" sky mocked.

Wren rolled her eyes, but before she could respond, Ivy jumped in

"What?"

"We dream visit the Ice Dragon! I ask him where Leaf is, he panics like Murderbasket-"

"I'm *positive* you are not pronouncing that right!" sky interrupted.

"Hush," Wren said, patting his snout. " I was *going* to say, before Sky *so rudely* Interrupted me, I dream visit the dragon, he panics and thinks I'm a dream just like MURDERBASKET, ahem sky, except, wait, I won't be able to prove to him that I'm not a dream like I was able to with Murderbasket. hmm. oh, well. but! anyways, I interrogate him, he tells me where Leaf is and if he's in his stomach or not" Wren's voice broke and her cheerful mask was wiped away for a second, but she caught herself and pulled it up again. "And we save him!" she finished

"but you said It yourself." Ivy said. "you won't be able to prove that your not a dream. Let's be reasonable"

"I DON'T CARE!" Wren said suddenly. "I AM NOT GOING TO LOOK FOR A DRGN WE HAVENT BEEN ABLE TO FIND FOR *WEEKS* WHEN MY *BROTHER* IS HAS BEEN KIDNAPED BY DRAGON!!!!!!!!"

Ivy stared at her in shock. "wren... Wren I *Don't have it.*

Wren glanced blanckley at Ivy. "well obviously. *duh."* She paused. "So THAT plan isn't going to work then. "

"mmmHM. yup. that's not gonna work." Ivy responded

"Fine. We can just... Fly to Murderbasket, ask him to murder a few dragons, The deserving ones, that is, and bing, bang, boom! We have Leaf back."

"could musrderbasket do it though...? I mean he is only the second drago n friend you've had. is he trustworthy?" ivy questioned.

"well would you rather Sky try to kill people?" wren asked.

"Fine. Let's go"

"Go where?" a voice asked from behind them.

Wren turned around and found herself face to face with undauntable.

Sorry this chapter is a bit rushed. very fast paced.

Chapter 6 ~~ A Twisted, Bent Up, Torn Apart, Love. (Undauntable)

Undauntable stared at Wren, Every beautiful feature of her. He felt as if he could stare in her eyes forever, she was the most beautiful stubborn girl undauntable had ever met. She, obviously, felt the same way about him. *every* girl did, in his opinion. Wren was just the lucky me who he liked in return. One day, they would get married and he would have the best, most beautiful wife in all of Pyrrhia. She could *never* say no to marrying him... again.

haha... this chapter is going to be really fun to write :)

his dreams were cut short when wren he saw the look on Wren's face. her face was full of complete disdain and hate.

"WHAT are you DOING here?" she said in a tone way too angry than necessary, in Undauntable's opinion.

"I..."

"what? Tell me now or Sky will slice your face off and I will laugh as he burns you to crisp. then he will devour your remains and I will show no remorse what-so-ever as you are being ripped apart piece..by piece...."

yes, I know Sky doesn't have fire. and he's a vegan.

Undauntable stared at her in shock. no one had *ever said* such a thing to him.

"You would never," he said haughtily "my father would have you and your dragon's head before that happens..." he grinned handsomely at wren "and I know you love me too much to do that

me"

ahh, he's turning red. that must mean shes embarrassed Undauntable thought smiling slightly. *shes just... frowning and furrowing her brow to hide it! acting mad! I like it---*

suddenly Wren lashed out and kicked Unauntable hard in the face. Undauntable staggered back, touching his stinging face. he felt blood trickle from his nose and used the dragon's wing to wipe it off. surely the creature wouldn't mind. they practically ate blood for breakfast, f you asked Udauntable.

"Youll regret doing that," he said to Wren, full of rage. though her beautiful features quickly cooled his anger. no enough before he said, "the price on you and your dragon's head will raise even more when my father finds out"

I know. cringy. not even that much of a cliffhanger since you all already (probably) read it in the epilogue of Dragonslayer. but! please read my friend's fanfic! all of them!!!!! (ClearsightMarrela)

Chapter 7~~ Another Beautiful- Wait- No- Terrifying Day at the Acadamy! (Leaf)

[image]

A terrible attempt at drawing Desert Moon by me ^^

A/N If anyone has the time and/or is bored, can someone make an actual cover for this? I would really appreciate it. [still pending...]

~JM time skip-- that night~

Leaf was running through the dark abandoned caves of the mountain. He had Starved himself (besides that one blueberry) so that he was thin enough to fit through the bars of his cage, while Gribli and Icicle were sleeping. and now here he was, starving, but free. he grinned despite himself, not realizing that he was about to run face-first into Night.

"aa-!" he slapped his hand over his mouth to muffle his alarm.

I guess my name suits her. he mused wryly to himself *Sneaking around in the dark like that.*

He wanted desperately to run away from her, but the look on her face, the fear curiosity, and desperation made him curious. So he followed her. they were walking in tunnels for what seemed like miles to Leaf, but maybe because he was running to keep up with her, until they reached a cave with a short ceiling and stalactites around the sides like pillars, as if someone had wanted to make the cave look perfect as if they were going to be able to stay there forever.

at a second glance at the cave, Leaf realized that someone *did* stare at those walls forever. *A dragon,* he realized. *and It looks like he's growing into the stone.*

he started listening in to the conversation, or rather, the detected tones of the conversation, even though half of their language was hisses and roars. halfway through he got lost, since Night as so quiet, and The dragon in the stone, Which he had named "UnMovingStone ", was an expressionless talking fossil.

Fake laugh* Ha. Ha. So funny. I know

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Leaf had been sitting down in Stones cave for about an hour now. once a fox came in and delivered stone food, served right to his mouth. Leaf tried to Grab some of Fox's food, but when he touched it a sort of odd sensation down his spine, just like Ivy's Dreamvisitor. *which means it must be enchanted* he realized, *so Stone must be an enchanter*

His thoughts were interrupted by a dragon slowly sneaking out of the shadows. Her scales were mostly black except for a few golden ones here and there, and instead of silver scales underneath her wings, they were gold. her under scales were exactly like sand, *sand in the moonlight* he realized. *It's kind of beautiful. She* had a Light pink glass heart attached to a golden chain slung around her neck.

"WOAH," he said. peering closer. "I wonder what type of Dragon she is," he mused to himself.

"Hi, Desert Moon," Stone said kindly. "How long have you been there?"

Leaf gasped. *He could understand them*

"Since That Night Wing came in. I was making sure she was gone before I came out. Turns out this heart blocks mind readers, too."

"Your welcome." Stone said

"Yeah. thanks, dad."

HAHA I JUST CAME UP WITH THAT LET'S SEE HOW IT TURNS OUT!

Chapter 8 ~~ Leaf, Sky, Who Else do They Lose?

Wren had tied Undauntable up and had strapped him to Sky's back, which got her lots of complaining from both of them.

"Wren! Why does he have to ride on my back? He just keeps complaining!"

Undauntable mumbled complaints, muffled my Sky's scales.

"It's fine, Sky. Just ignore him. what we really need to discuss is, oh, I don't know, THE FACT THAT THE STRONGEST HUMAN CITY IN THE WORLD HAS A BOUNTY ON YOUR HEAD."

"OH. Right. That," Sky said sarcastically.

Since when Is Sky sarcastic?" Ivy asked

my sky's all grown up! Wren thought. *No. that's not it. he's... becoming more like me? Do I want that? wait, yes! Sure! Everythings Going to be fine!*

Ivy said she had been unusually quiet the past few days, Which Wren suspected was because Leaf was gone.

"Why is that anyways, Undauntable? oh." She realized. "Sky, Can you make him able to talk?"

"oh. Right"

"THANK you, m'lady. Now. remember those gifts you gave me as a sign of our relationship?" He grinned Smugly

"Forget it, Sky. Feel free to tie him up again"

"WIAT!" Those dragon scales! predicraby from this wild man-eating

beast here," he saidspeaking over wren as she laghed at 'Man-Eating creature'

"What of them?" Sky asked, defensively

"Well, ever since you showed off that you control dragons in your hometown."

"Not my home," Wren muttered angrily

"We had a- a..."

"A WHAT?"

"A spy there, and my father saw the scales, pieced it together, and I tried lying to him but now there's a bounty on your and your Pet's head I'm sorry. But It doesn't really matter because you have ME right?"

Wren thew a book at him, saying things that were best left *unsaid.*

"Nevermindthen" he mumbled, rolling his eyes but still looking fearful, wich Wren found very satisfying.

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Wren had been on "watch-Undauntable-so-he-doesn't-give-away-our-location" duty, While Ivy and Sky were looking for berries.

"So, m'lady-"

"Don't call me that" Wren snapped

"Well, I was going to say, I understand why you chose to not be a part of the food party."

"So That I'm able to kick your *** when you try to escape?"

"No," Undauntable said, surprised. "You would never do that. I meant... some time alone between the two of us." He grinned smugly at Wren, who very much wanted to kick his *** right then.

Unfortunately, Ivy ruined that for her.

"WREN! *WREN!"* Ivy was running through the woods to them

"What!" she said a little harsher than necessary turning her head towards IVy. But she realized why Ivy was yelling before Ivy said it.

"They took Sky. and they sent another search party out to look for you."

Chapter 9~~ I Don't Know What TO Name This (Leaf)

[image]

BASE NOT BY ME (i jus colored it...) that's Desert Moon, btw. Now that I look over it the sout is a liiittle long,

EDIT: the acctuall original artist was xXDragonBornXx on YouTube.

Leaf cautiously stepped forward "Hello? Can you understand me?" he asked.

"AAG!" Desert Moon Jumped to her feet "A talking scavenger!"

her surprise, to Leaf's surprise, suddenly turned into realization.

"Daad, did you put an area spell on this?" she asked, holding up her pink Heart pendant.

Stone's unreadable expression creaked up unto a small smile. "Just testing a few things." the old fossil said.

Desert Moon laughed "I figured."

She leaned down to peer closer to Leaf. "it's Wired... You said this thing was enchanted to understand other languages, not make things Be able to SPEAK."

"Humans have a language too!" Leaf said defensively.

"Suuuuuuure." Desert Moon said.

"We DO! HONESTLY! were INTELLIGENT CREATURES!"

He was about to continue his yelling when a copper tornado zoomed by

it looked back in the room. "ooh cool a scavenger!"

Leaf noticed that Desert Moon had somehow disappeared.

the copper dragon kept talking. "Y'know, I've foughten many of those before, in the arena. there pretty boring. their only weapons are swords, which melt before they pierce my scales, so I've only fought them once, because the queen-- I mean, *SCARLET,* said it was boring. this one down there looks familiar... the fur I mean. ooh! it musta been one of the ones from Scarlet's palace! I mean, Ruby's now, but she is a terrible queen! anyways, HAve you seen a cute, kinda fat brown dragon that is obsessed with food? oh wait, he might not want to see me. he's probably sleeping, and I don't know how to wake him up without burning him oh, well! bye!":"

and then that dragon was gone. *what a strange dragon* Leaf thought

"wow." said Desert Moon, suddenly materializing from the shadows. "does she come by often?

Stone sighed. "yup. she keeps talking about this mudwing. I think its Sunny's friend--"

"wait wait wait, dad, who is Sunny? you talk as if you know her well,"

"Well, yes, she's... shes a golden dragon, um, a little younger than you, uh and..."

"And what?"

"Nothing"

"Ookay then"

"WHERE IS HE???" a dragon suddenly roared from the hallways "YOU ATE HIM, DIDN'T YOU QIBLI!!!!"

"Welp. I gotta go before he murders someone". Leaf said suddenly standing up.

He ran down the hallway towards the cave, a few feet outside the

cave Icicle's Yells suddenly turned into growls and hisses. *guess I'm out of range.* He thought.

[insert good cliffhanger here]

that one was cringy...

Sorry, Not an update again. just a notice. and a few questions

FIRST OF ALL!

How long should Sky be captured?

Am I moving too fast with this story? (like the storyline)

SECOND OF ALL!

I think that this book will be like the 6th book only (sorry Leafy lovers, Leaf and Ivy aren't reunited until the next book. they WILL dream visit each other, though! with the dream visitor flame has. or had.)

should Wren confront Deathy? aka Murderbasket?

PLEASE comment on ideas I reeeeally need more ideas for this book, and no IT WILL NOT BE DISCONTINUED! EVER! unless I die... then, Harper since I know your reading this, I will hand the writing down to you.

and yeah.... comment on my feed, on this, send something through the Wattpad messaging thing... anything!

I need ideas.

Byeeeeeeee!

Chapter 10~~ (Wren)

Wren, Ivy, and Undauntable were running through the woods. Well, Wren and Ivy were running, Undauntable was lagging moping about how his feet were muddy.

"Oh, *no*!"Wren said sarcastically, trying to cheer her and Ivy up "His *fancy* shoes! Ruined! Whatever shall we *do* about it?"

Ivy didn't laugh. neither did Wren.

Ivy motioned to Jade mountain, looming a few hundred feet ahead. wren Guessed what this meant. *hide in the caves at the bottom, maybe well lose undauntable* and *the soldiers there.* Wren guessed Ivy didn't mean the Undauntable part, But Wren hoped it happened anyways.

When they reached the mountain, Undauntable, unfortunately, was still with them, and there were no caves in sight.

so they ran around the mountain. They found a small opening, near the base about 10 minutes later, barely big enough for undauntable to fit through. The small opening led to a cave about 2 full-grown humans tall, and 5 wide.

Undauntable groaned. "It's so *Dark--"*

Wren slapped her hand over his mouth. "shh!" she hissed at him.

He frowned but stayed silent. after a few minutes, he said, "Y'know you accidentally hit my eyes instead of my mouth?"

Wren glared at him, even though it was too dark for undauntable to see her glare.

they stayed in the cave for about half an hour, until they were sure that the search party had passed them.

"Is it safe to come out yet?" Ivy asked

"I don't know, is it?" A voice said behind them.

Wren Jumped up "SHOW YOURSELF!" she yelled.

A plume of fire Lit up the room, revealing a Black dragon with sandy white underscales and wings.

"Did I accidentally say 'Show Yourself' In dragon?" she asked the stranger in Dragon.

the dragon looked surprised. "You speak Dragon?"

Wren squinted at her. "Ivy, Dauntable, can you understand this dragon?"

Ivy nodded, fascinated, and Undauntable frowned but nodded too.

"How do you do that?" she asked in Human.

"WREN!" Undauntable said. Wren turned around to see Undauntable struggling to get through the hole in the wall

"Get OUT of there! come back if someone could see you!"

"There is a DRAGON in the CAVE and you tell me to STAY HERE?"

Wren turned to the dragon. "are you going to kill us?"

The dragon wrinkled her snout. "No."

"See? it's SAFE. now COME HERE."

"I'm stuck!"

"No, you're not, now get your dauntable butt over here!"

"You already used that one" Ivy muttered to her

"Here," the dragon said pleasantly. "IF YOU DON'T GET OUT OF THAT HOLE WITHIN the next FIVE SECONDS I will BURN YOU TO A CRISP!" she yelled ay Undauntable.

"Hmm, yeah, thanks, but we were trying to NOT get discovered by a

search party?" Wren said to the Dragon.

"Sorry," she said sarcastically.

So! I have a stomach bug, so I have an ENTIRE DAY to WRITE! prepare for ULTIMATE UPDATING

"What's your name?" The dragon asked.

"Wren. Wren, Ivy, and Undauntable but please call him Dauntable"

Undauntable frowned. "Really, M'lady, that name doesn't suit me! My parents--"

"Love you enough to give you such a stupid name?" Wren finished for him.

"NO," he protested.

"At least let the DRAGON call you 'Dauntable'!"

"Why?"

"Because between the two of us, SHE will probably do the most daunting."

Undauntable glared at the dragon.

"What?" the Dragon asked defensively

"Don't you DARE daunt me!"

"Noooope." the dragon said, grinning smugly

"What IS your name, anyway?" Wren questioned.

"Desert Moon," the dragon said, crossing her arms and leaning back on her tail.

"Yeah... no offense but you look like more of a desert *night* to me," Wren said pointing to her dark scales.

The hybrid laughed. "Yeah, It's my dad's fault. He's a Night Wing,

and my mom's a Sand Wing."

"Clearly. do you know your mom?"

Desert Moon frowned. "What's with all the personal questions?" she asked

Wren rolled her eyes and said, "Technically only one. We need to know if we can *trust* you. Because there's the fact that, I don't know, you're, what, THREE TIMES OUR SIZE AND YOUR SPECIES EATS US AS A SNACK."

Desert Moon seemed to think on that for a few seconds. "Come to think of it, I would have eaten you guys in a heartbeat if it wasn't for that scavenger that came into my dad's cave and started talking. Before that, I didn't even know that you had emotions, none the less your own language.

"But, yeah, my dad said that my mom didn't want my egg, so he stole it before she could.... I don't know, smash my egg or something. He knew she didn't want me because I wouldn't fit in." tears started to well up in her eyes. "Then... since I learned that my mom became queen... I've been in hiding ever since."

Wren looked sympathetically at Desert Moon. she Hesitated, then opened her mouth and said, "My entire family is a bunch of a** holes tambien. I know how it feels."

"Your WHOLE family?" she asked. "And what's an 'a**'?"

"no, and none of your concern," Wren said. "My brother Is pretty cool... "

Ivy muttered something about "that's an understatement"

Wren grinned cheekily at Ivy, Then turned back to Desert Moon. "He was captured by an Ice Dragon and brought to this mountain." she Glanced around the cave, foolishly hoping that he would jump out any second.

"my friend, too. He's a dragon, and was captured by humans, or scavengers..."

Desert Moon muffled a laugh. "sorry it's just hard to imagine a dragon being captured by humans."

Ivy glared at her "there were THIRTY of them! and Sky doesn't like hurting anyone, AND doesn't have fire!"

"hmm. Yeah, that kinda does it."

"SPEAKING of WICH," wren jumped in. "there is a SEARCH party LOOKING for us and my BROTHER AND best friend are CAPTURED by people/dragons who could KILL them and probably WANT TOO."

"ooh, I can help with that." Desert Moon said. "for one, I can take on thirty scavengers, and if I'm disguised as a regular Nightwing, I can get your brother!"

"AND" Ivy added in. "you can help us look for a golden dragon!"

Wren groaned "fine. Ivy, you can go out and hunt, and then well tomorrow night we'll leave."

Ivy Grinned. "finally a plan," she said. "let's get them back"

Chapter 11~~ Dreams? They're Real Now (Leaf)

Leaf was in his cage again. except for this time, he was moving. He was Dangling from Icicle's Claws. "Where are we going?" he asked, hoping Desert Moon was nearby.

"Grrrowl. GRrrrrRow, Grrhiiissssssssssssss... GRO! gro. graa hisss grrr."

Be quiet, and PLEASE don't Embarrass me in front of Moon-- not that I would care if she hated me, of course! I just love... NO! no. Get that thought out of your Frozen Head!

Icicle glanced around nervously as if trying to see if anyone had heard that. no one had, except for Leaf, who didn't understand a WORD.

When they had arrived at their destination, which was, apparently, a library. But in the center of the library, there was an ice wing, and off to the side there was Night and the rainforest dragon. The Rainforest dragon was reading slowly, and Night was correcting some growls for her.

Icicle marched over to them and set Leaf down, heavily.

the dragons exchanged some growls, then to his surprise, Night Put a talon through the bars of the Leafs cage. Leaf looked at her cautiously but then realized that her expression was one of curiosity, and kindness, not of... hunger.

Some instinct in his mind told him to reach out and touch the talon. A wired instinct, but, hey was safe in the cave at least, right?

so he touched Night talon. suddenly her face turned to an expression of understanding... not curiosity. *this dragon just got a whole lot weirder.* he thought to himself

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Icicle and sky were walking through the hallways of JMA. Icicle seemed bored, like, REALLY bored, so Leaf in some way from his twisted mind decided to cheer him up, by allowing him to meet a fossilized NightWing

He tried to do this by pointing which way to turn, Yelling so Icicle would notice. eventually, Icicles grumbles turned into words.

"PERFECT! DON'T MOVE, ICICLE!"

Icicle jumped up.

"AAG!" YOU CAN TALK!"

"Nope, YOU can talk. it's just animus magic. NOW, Icicle-"

"PLEASE DOn't Call me that, its so wired."

"Igloo-Face, then?"

Igloo-Face muttered something about "worse than Quibli" then glared back at Leaf

Leaf suddenly realized that making a majestic mythical creature 20 times his size and who can breathe death ice was not the best idea.

"SORRY! Sorry. NOT Igloo-Face. BUT! we have to get to the subject. "You took me from my home. You scared the moons out of my friend and sister- if anything can scare her. You kidnapped me, and now I don't have a home. please give me back."

The dragon thought on that for a second. "nice speech, but no. sorry. you want me to turn you over to the wild, where literally anyone could eat you, and you can TALK so I don't want you to die. and scavengers are endangered right now, AND on top of all that you're the only reason, the only reason I'm even at this school. sorry."

LEaf groaned "listen, how would you feel if--"

Winter interrupted him, but with growls and snarls. probably telling him he stopped understanding him.

Leaf's shoulder slumped. "dangit," he muttered under his breath.

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I'm probably going to continue this later, but I haven't updated in a WEEK so some of you are probably getting impatient. Byeeeeee!

-Wren

Chapter 12 ~~ Les Go Already! (Wren)

OH MY MOONS THANK YOU GUYS SO MUCH I AM NOW #4 IN #wof!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

So. More flying. on top of a dragon. except that this time, it was a dragon a few years older than Sky, and it, well, wasn't sky. Nor was it Desert Moon. She said she had "things to do at the mountain" so she put them in a basket with a note "please don't eat, the fluffy-haired one can speak dragon" and left them in front of a female NightDragon's cave. her name was Fatespeaker, and she kept blabbering things about "I foresee... A sloth! I foresee a sloth in my future," and other nonsense.

Undauntable was extremely jittery, which Wren found hilarious.

"Yeesh, all you're doing is riding on a dragon! Ivy and I do it all the time!" WRen lagged

"EXACTLY," Undauntable responded "RIDING on a DRAGON."

Wren rolled her eyes. "ok, then I guess it's scary," she said sarcastically.

Undauntable frowned. "It IS THOUGH," he complained

Wren sighed "Hush the grown-ups are talking," she said mockingly and turned to Fatespaeaker "So. We have things to discuss," she said to the Dragoness

"like what?" Fatespeaker responded

"like the fact that you won't tell anyone that you met a talking scavenger and the fact that you are going to head towards that cliff and help us rescue our brother."

Fatespaker squinted the direction that wren was pointing. "I don't

see a cliff over there. and your friend, if he was captured by dragons, since As far as im concerned scavengers don't capture other scavengers, has probably been eaten"

"that is because, a, the cliff is three days away from here, if your flying and b, my friend is a dragon captured by scavengers, not the other way around."

Fatespeaker muffled a laugh "A dragon." she said grinning "captured by scavengers. yeah, no I can't see that happening."

"well then open your eyes. he was captured, Ivy saw it, and I believe her. oh and those scavengers also probably want to kill me so I need a dragon to protect me."

"Well," Fatespeaker said, still trying to contain her laughter, "I'm not the person to ask, because honestly, I'm not the best fighter. and if these scavengers can capture a dragon, then yeah, I am NOT going."

"WeLl ThEn Who ShOulD We AsK?" wren said, in her usually agitated tone. she did not like interacting with people, or dragons apparently, other than sky and her friends.

"I have a few friends, dragon friends," she added quickly. "Who can help you"

"ok, who?"

um, well, I have this assassin, who almost killed my other friends but fell in love with them instead I have another friend who saved the world and is the queen of two tribes, and is dating the guy who was hired to kill her, I have a SeaWing who also saved the world but will probably be hard to find, and is currently teaching classes trying to bring even more peace to the world, um a few others who also saved the world but are teaching, I have one that isn't teaching but is blind and DON'T YOU DARE PUT HIM IN DANGER, I have..."

"ok, ok. who would YOU choose?"

"the queen of two tribes, or the assassin. their names are Glory and... Deathbringer."

Wren grinned. "Let's go, Murderbasket."

short and sweet. sorry.

(the next Wren chapter will be from Deathy's pov) }:)

Chapter 13 ~~ A SanWing's Tail (Leaf)

Leaf was freeeeee! Well, Kind of. Winter hadn't *exactly* let him go, he kind of *provoked* Qibli to breathe fire on his cage, the same way they had made the DesertDragon guards do.

So he was running. again. he was hoping to reach DesertMoon's cave BEfore WInter or Qibli realized he had left. THey were currently having a fight.

he rounded the corner and found desert mon sneaking out of a cave with a few jewels in her hand.

"what are you doing?" he asked

Desert Moon Jumped, and her face dropped to a very, very, very guilty face.

"I- Um- I- I was just- um-"

"stealing?"

She managed to look even more guilty. "I- I- Like you said- I- well, yes," she claimed herself. "I was. the SeaWing Princess has SO MANY and I need to stay alive somehow-- they were in a corner collecting dust so she probably forgot about them anyways- and I can sell them to that SkyWing for 2 month of food- the one with a scar on his face- and Dinner, my Dad's fox won't give me any because of it's enchantment- and I need food- and My dad won't enchant anything else- and um-"

"Okay! okay. I get it. in fact... I can help you steal stuff? I mean, I'm about 20 times smaller than you so... yeah! I mean, as long as it's nothing... nothing HUGE."

Desert Moon smiled. "Really?"

LEaf smiled. "as long as you don't eat me," he joked.

Desert Moon Wrapped, well, tried to wrap her wings around Leaf. "Thank you. For understanding" she said softly

OH MY MOONS What did I DO? I made Leaf a thief! oh, well. at least he's stealing from Anemone.

Leaf and Desert Moon walked down the hallway in silence for a while.

"Sooo.." Leaf said awkwardly. "What's the deal woth your family?"

"oh," Dessert Moon said. "My dad saved me from my mom. she... I don't know, my dad said that she didn't want any heirs to the 'throne' of the scorpion den. that she wanted all the power... and I could take that power form her. so she was going to smash my egg, but my dad said he did already, and brought me here."

Leaf gave her a pittying look, and was about to respond when tey hear d ctalons clicking on the stone cave.

"hide!" DEsert Moon said, grabbing leaf and dving into a corner.

in one quick movement she tucked her wings in and put her back to the cave, so only her black scles wre showing.

"Woah." Leaf breathed. she had dissapeard *compleatly*.

I guess thats what 3? 5? years of hiding does to you. she must have really good practice.

Desert Monn made an almost silent hissing sound and nodded her head to a crevice in the rock. Leaf understood un ducked under there.

click. click. click. the talons approached, and reavealed a young Desert Dragon and a Rainforest dragon The Rain Forest Dragon had flowers around her neck and kept her wings partially spread out as if to feel the cave around herself.

wait, are tamirin and Ostrige in the same winglet...?

"are you sure yousmelled Qibli's friend's scavenger...?" The Desert Dragon said.

"Yes," the Rainforest Dragon said. "And I heard squeaking..."

"yes... but, wait, THERE!" The Desert ragon pointed her barbed tail at Leaf. " I found it!"

She stepped forward to grab Leaf, but.. *oh no.* Leaf thought as she came closer. and then... her tailbarb scrached Desert Moon's skin.

"NO!" he yelled, and The Desert Dragon Jumped back in surprise.

He ran around ans looked at Desert Moon. her face was trying very hard to contain her pain, he could tell. The Dragon's Tail Didn't miss. Desert Moon hhad been poisined.

Chapter 14 ~~ HELP ME (Deathbringer)

[image]

Maracuyá, art by meeeee ^^ (I have no idea how to pronounce that so have fun with it) :)

Deathbringer was enjoying the silence in the rainforest. FINALLY, Kinkajou, "The queen's 'Best' friend" (everyone knew Deathbringer was her best friend, if not more) was gone and not blabbering about mangos and sloths and rainbows bla bla bla.

now... he was alone with glory, now...

"DEATHBRINGER! I'm going to Jade mountain." Glory said. "and don't follow me either!" she quickly added before he could ask if she needed a bodyguard. She gave him a so-that-is-the-end-of-this-discussion look, but, of course, she didn't *really* mean that. it was code for, I-need-you-to-come-with-me-you're-the-best-dragon-ever-and-by-the-way-can-you-marry-me look. OBVIOUSLY.

"Why?" he said. "Did a Cave blow up?"

"That is still not convincing me that you're not a mind reader. yes, a cave blew up," she deadpanned.

"Wait WHAT."

"Bye, Deathbringer!" She started to flap off.

Deathbringer frowned. *hmm.* he thought *maybe Tsunami will dream visit me so I HAVE to come!*

He curled up into a ball and tried to sleep. *com on, Tsunami* he thought. then he felt a tapping on his tail.

"mm?" he said tilting his snout up but still not opening his eyes.

"SQUEAK! squeak squeak!

HEY! YOU! we were supposed to come to you for help?

Deathbringer's eyes flew open. In front of him, were 2 hideous scavengers. He stood up fast and started to run. *byallthemoonsbyallthemoonsBY ALL THE MOONS!!!! They've come for me! GLORY!! WHERE ARE YOU WHEN I NEED YOU! help help help help help help help help help help help help help help AAAAG!*

He turned around to face the hideous monsters and found that one of them had a SWORD. and PUFFY BROWN FUR. *MOTHER OF ALL LAVA MONSTERS! It couldn't be the same one? COULD IT? oh my moons I'm DEAD. it's coming closer! AAAAAAAGGGGG!* he turned around and saw a RainWing. Maracuya, if he remembered correctly.

"H-hello um- look at these- cute scavengers-" he shivered. "now I uh, if you could watch them, uh, I think maybe some of the night wings would like to eat them? uh, just please make sure they don't escape! bye! he launched off the platform when a voice said,

"COME BACK HERE RIGHT NOW MURDERBASKET!!"

Oh, my moons! I'm dead!!!

"Who said that?" Maracuya said, leaping into a battle position, teeth bared.

"Me," The scavenger, Wren, if he remembered correctly, said.

Deathbringer crept into a shadow and with almost impeccable movements slid out of the hut.

"MURDERBASKET! I SEE YOU TRYING TO ESCAPE!!" Wren roared.

"Murderbasket?" Maracuya said, wrinkling her snout in amusement.

from the shadows he saw Wren turning to Maracuya. "hello, if you could please help us, we are in need of finding that scaredy-dragon hiding in the corner over there, " she said politely, pointing to the exact spot Deathbringer was hiding.

"W-what do you need?" he asked with as much confidence as he could muster.

"Our friend was captured by scavengers and we need a dragon to help get him back," she explained.

"NO! Please, NO! ask Maracuyá! Not me! PLEASE! as much as I want to see my mom again I also want to have eggs with- um, JUST NO!!!"

He crept further into the shadows. *only a few more tails and I'm out of this room-*

Wren was standing right in front of his snout. "PLEASE," she said desperately. "I NEED an assassin on this job!"

"I could go with you," Maracuya said. I can spit venom and hide you with my scales. I'm almost the perfect assassin!"

Deathbringer snorted in amusement.

Maracuyá frowned. "Would *you* rather do it?"

"...No," he responded honestly.

"So then let me do it!"

Wren studied her brown and golden scales thoughtfully. "Show us your camouflage. and Magical Death Spit," she ordered.

Maracuya nodded thoughtfully, as if thinking about her surroundings, and disappeared into thin air. Deathbringer had seen this many themes before, so he wasn't surprised, but it was fun to see the look on Wren's face as she turned into the air. His worst fear. Afraid.

he sized this moment to leaf out of the window, and flap as hard as he could to glory's general direction.

"HEY! COME BACK! oh, never mind," he heard Wren say.

It cant get me up here. I'm safe. don't worry, Glory, I'm coming.

Chapter 15 ~~ DesertWinter (Leaf)

sorry, to all the Winterwatcher & Quinter shippers here, myself included. :

Leaf ran over to Desert Moon's wound. "HELP HER!" he Screamed at the Dragons. "DON'T JUST STAND THERE!!"

The Desert Dragon had been standing there awestruck, most likely at the talking "scavenger", so she didn't really go run for hep. but the Rainforest Dragon, Immediately ran out of the cave, to, he assumed get a dragon to help them.

"Wha- A- Are you Bandit?" She asked.

"Yes and no. Winter named me bandit but my name is actually Leaf," he explained.

"Ah. got it," she said in confusion.

I would explain more but I- we don't have time. Here, help me put pressure on the stab wound," he requested.

"Yup. sure. totally. Following the orders of a scavenger."

"It's to SAVE a LIFE. DOn't you want to save a life?"

The Desert Dragon nodded swiftly. "Yes. DEFINITELY. Absoulutly," she said, yet still not moving.

"Great! so, help me put pressure on the wound!" he said a little too harshly.

"Right," she said, crouching down to put her paw on Desert Moon's

Wound.

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Leaf was sitting in the Healing center with Winter and Desert Moon.

"Is-is she going to be ok?" WInter asked Leaf. Leaf had never seen Winter cry, and Leaf suspected no one else had either.

"Yess...," Desert Moon Tried to respond. her voice was caught by coughing. The barb had scratched her throat, and Leaf was surprised She wasn't already dead.

buuut, I couldn't let that happen or ClearsightMArella would kill me :)

Winter shooed the healers away and crouched down in front of Desert Moon. Then he turned to Leaf.

"Either turn around or don't tell anyone, ok?" he asked, tears still streaking down his face. "and PLEASE Don't tell Moon, If you were to tell anyone. or Qibli. I'm not sure about this but I want to do it before she dies..."

"Wait, do what?" Leaf asked. he gt the answer quickly as Winter bent down and... Kissed her gently on the snout.

Desert Moon opened her eyes slightly and blinked, then Leaned in and blushed. Leaf wrinkled his nose. *when me and Ivy do it, I'm sure we'll not do it in front of people... Especially not Wren. note to self: never kiss Ivy in front of Wren*, he thought.

Then Gongs sounded and Winter rushed out of the room, leaving Desert Moon and Leaf together.

Dessert Moon looked fairly awestruck. "that... he... what...?"

Leaf grinned.

Desert Moon sighed. Then shook her head and looked dead in LEaf's eyes.

"Why did you do it...?" She asked Leaf weakly. "Why did you let her see me? her dad is my... my mom's most trusted advisor."

It took leaf a while to realize she was talking about the Desert Dragon

Leaf Paled. "Oh. so then..." he started.

"We can just assume the world knows about me. Or they will, in a few months. your... uh, Winter's Clawmate is also one of her trusted advisors..." Desert Moon finished for him.

"Okay, okay. let me think of what to do. you get some rest," he said to Desert Moon.

sorry, I didn't have time to write more. :(and I'm REALLY excited for the next chapter!

cough* CLEARSIGHTMARELLA THAT DOES NOT MEAN YOU CAN WRITE IT FOR ME! *cough

Chapter 16 ~~ What is it with this book and dreams? (Wren)

[STILL UNDER EDETING]

So, as it turns out, Rainforest Dragons are not the best flyers when it comes to open air. Wren REALLy wished that wasn't the case. Rainforest Dragon she assumed, had experience flying through trees twirling their wings in and launching themselves from one tree branch to another.

That was not the case in open air though. Fortunately, Maracuya had agreed to camouflage herself for the entire time, so that was one benefit of her flying them.

when thy reached a ledge hidden by trees, and went to rest for the night.

Wren was falling. she landed with a thump n ground, although she couldn't see it. it was like she was in a wood. she wandered around for a t, when she found Leaf, a blue sapphire pressed to his forehead, and muttering the words "Wren, Wren, COME ON Wren."

"Um. Hi, Leaf," she said, trying to hide back laughter.

Leaf jumped in surprise, then whirled to face Wren. "YES!" he Shouted. "YES! IT WORKED!"

Wren rubbed her head. *why am I having dreams about happy people? when both Sky d Lef are gone?*

Leaf looked at her in surprise. then he opened his mouth and said,"Wait, Sky is gone?"

Wren looked at him in surprise

"yeah...you said that out loud." Lea said, grinning grimly

"huh. well. YES dream Leaf. YOU and SKY are GONE." Wren said shooting Leaf a Glare.

"Moons above," Leaf muttered. "How are you still alive? HOW has Dragon not eaten you, Without all your protection?"

"First of all, Leaf, get outta my dream, I know you're dead in real life and this dream is going to just make me cry, so shoo, and secondly, we had one Night Dragons , A Rainforest Dragon, and A hybrid to help us. So THERE. Perfectly protected."

"wait a hybrid? she didn' by any chance say her name was Desert Moon, Did she?" Lea asked. h and I'm not a dream so yeah. and I'm alive."

"YES!" Wren said." Her name was Desert Moon and she was a Desert dragon- Night Dragon hybrid!" she said amot jumping up, and completely ignoring what Leaf had said. She didn't want to get her hopes up on a dream. Leaf as DEAD, and nothing would change that.

"Listen! Wren!" Leaf said desperately. "Wren! WREN! I'm alive! really am! I was kept as a pet! By that Ice Dragon! I adjust using a dreamvisitor! like the one Ivy had? remember? WREN!"

Wren had been ignoring him, her back turned. She finally turned to face him and saw that he, along with herself was crying. "How...?" she croaked out to him. "How... How are you alive? And if you're a dream, h could you do this to me?"

Leaf opened his mouth to respond, but before he could Wren woke up.

She opened her eyes and found Ivy staring over her, the damp smell of the cave and the *drip drip.* from the salties.

"I wanted you to know that Leaf viiitd me." Ivy said softly. "I would have told you earlier, but you were slee, but then I heard you crying. so I assumed you were awake?"

"I- Yes." Wren sniffed, then looked up to meet Ivy's eye. "do you miss him?"

"What-who? oh. Leaf" Iv looked down, unwilling to meet Wren's

When Ivy looked up again she saw that she was also crying.

"yes." She choked out. yes I do very much so." she pulled her knees up to her chest and buried her face in her hands, slumping against the cold stone wall. Wren heard quiet sobbing from Ivy.

"me too," Wren whispered. she slumped against the wall and looked at the staligites above her."Very much so" she muttered under her breath.

"I promis. Leaf" She whispered

Ivy turned her tear streaked face towards Wren.

"I promise leaf" Wren repeated, grabbing Ivy's hand. "I promise we'll get you back. same with you sky."

aaah I had sad music in the background and honestly I cried reading this chapter.

Chapter 17~~ Snail? *gasp* (Sky)

[image]

WARNING: THIS CHAPTER CONTAINS SNAIL KILLING AND MAGICAL-DEATH-SPIT SPRAYING.

Sky slowly opened his eyes, blinking slowly. he tried to move his head but his horns were tied down, as were his arms and Wings. His tail dangled from his body, barely reaching the floor. "Hello?" He said in Dragon, hoping someone was there. Someone other than the dragon who had locked him up.

No one responded in Dragon, although he did get a very loud "IT'S AWAKE!!" from outside the cave in Human. Shortly replied by a "WINGS ABOVE I WAS PAID FOR THE SHIFT WHEN IT WAS ASLEEP!

"Hello?" He tried again, this time in Human.

"IT EVEN TALKS!" Came another reply from the same voice. then another, "No, It must be another human in that cave." then this time a new voice, gruffer than the others, "just open the door snail-brains."

"Snail?" Sky couldn't help but pipe up to his favorite word.

Then a trembling guard that very much reminded Sky of a porcupine (soooooo cute! except for the spikes. it would be cuter with the spikes) walked in, holding what looked like a spear, similar to the ones that the scary sand dragons poked him with.

"I won't hurt you," Sky said in Human, although the guard kept trembling all the same.

"Just knock him out for moon's sake!" came the gruff voice again.

The porcupine-human looked out at the door and said., " I don't want to go near! It could knock me out with its tail!"

"I DON'T CARE, JUST DO IT! OR I'LL THROW YOU OUT OF THE INDISTRUCTABLE CITY!"

"Yes, your majesty. sorry. I was just startled at first." The poky guy said again.

Sky tried to hide behind his tail, since it was the only thing he could move, very much wishing that he was a turtle, or a... a.. *snail!* there was a *snail* climbing on the leg of the guard! IT was sooo cute! it peeked its antenna into a hole in the guard's pats, then poked it back out, and hid in its shell again ignoring the guard, who had barely begun to inch towards Sky, Sky reached his tail out as far as it could go until it was almost touching the snail. The guard yelped and leaped back, AND THE SNAIL FELL OFF! It fell hard on the ground and didn't move.

no. Sky thought. *No, IT CAN'T BE DEAD!* NO! Sky started to whimper, then felt tears slowly inching their way down his snout. He poked the snail with his tail, hoping that it would react, but his thoughts were foolish. He felt like Shriveling up into a ball and disappearing. The snail was dead. DEAD. It was the most horrible thing he had ever seen. worse than the Snail Wing guards cooking it, without a bit of remorse. Then The guard looked at the snail and.. and STOMPED IT. WITHOUT A BIT OF GUILT. he even looked PLEASED. Sky couldn't help himself. He started to cry. Full-out bawling. He looked at the helpless pile of shell and mush, and it only got worse.

"HOW- " He sniffed, then tried to reform his words again. "HOW COULD YOU!?" he roared in Human. "THAT SNAIL DON NOTHING TO YOU!" he started to cry some more, and eventually was able to form more words. "AND YOU- YOU SHOOK IT OOF! AND THEN YOU- YOU- *YOU SMOOSHED IT!* " His roaring got loud enough for a good reaction from the Guard.

The guard's face went from surprised, to even more surprised, to

confused, then guilty, as Sky Rambled on a and on about the TERRIBLE THING that this guard had done, and how he should be VERY DISAPPOINTED, although Sky wasn't sure how much the guard understood, since he was also crying and slipping some dragon words in there.

eventually, he got the guard to do a burial for the snail, then promising he would never hurt another snail again although Sky suspected that it was just because he was afraid that Sky would breathe fire at him if he didn't.

Sky's crying was cut- not *short* exactly since it went on for what seemed like hours, but the guard had to leave when a loud bell rang through the city, and people started screaming. Sky guessed what this meant. Either, A, a dragon was attacking the village, or, B, WREN was attacking the village with another dragon. He guessed that it was the first option, although he desperately hoped it was the second. Sky REALLY wanted to get out of this cave with the snail-killing porcupines.

He broke out of his thoughts when an agonized scream came from the hallway, followed by another, then another. he then heard a voice, WRENS'S voice, yell, "WHERE IS HE??" and then a dragon saying, in an accent that sky had never heard before, "No WONDER your friend got captured by these. They are so SPIKEY, and without any natural defenses, it makes sense that he is trapped."

"My Sky is PERFECT, even if you have your magical death spit, HE. IS. PERFECT."

"Thanks- Thanks, Wren!" Sky called through sniffles.

"SKY!" Wren yelled and immediately ran into the room, Then started to look very, very angry. "I HATE THIS VILLAGE! I! HATE! THIS! VILLAGE! HUMANS ARE TERRIBLE! MARUKABLABLABLAHOW-TO-PRONOUNCE CAN YOU- Can you go grab the invincible lord? he probably is the on waring all the treasure, and surrounded by hu- by scavengers wearing the poky armor. she took a few deep breaths, then yelled "I HATE HUMANS!"

That last part was in Human, Sky guessed to scare some villagers away.

"Yeesh," Ivy said, appearing next to Wren.

"Not you," Wren said, holding her hand out, as Ivy dropped a long silver necklace in it/. "Thanks" She then slid the chain over her head and disappeared.

"I'm just going to hope that that is normal?" Sky said To ivy.

"Yup. Don't Worry" Ivy responded.

"Ok good."

They sat around awkwardly since Wren usually was the one who carried the conversation.

"Um." Sky broke the silence. "can you maybe help me get out of these chains?"

"OH! Right. Sorry," Ivy said, jumping to her feet and grabbing one of the spears that a guard dropped., and shoving it into one of the locks, not unlocking it, but completely destroying the lock.

"Thanks," Sky said. Lust then another guard came in, With a spear, but immediately dropped it when they saw the dragon lose. At Leat, That's What sky thought. But the Guard immediately Ran Towards Ivy, Completely Ignoring Sky.

"Ivy?" The Guard said, bending down. Another Guard came in, but Immediately got a spear in the chest from the other Guard. The guard then lifted her helmet and looked at Ivy in the eyes.

"Mother?" Ivy said

not Daffodil, Foxglove, or Violet, (sorry) they have spots in the plot later on, though. Stay tuned!

~PLEASE READ~

Yes, The updates are coming slowly, and that is because I'm re-writing some of the older chapters.

I'll probably update again at least by next week, tops.

Thanks for understanding!

~Cardbored

Chapter 18 ~~ You took your sweet time updating (Ivy)

I've been stalling a little since a) I learned that Wren/Sky/Ivy/ Daffodil/Leaf/Violet woud be in book 14, and I don't want to get facts wrong. b) I have homework. Looots of homework, now that I'm going virtual. c) I'm a smidgen lazy...

It's been about 3 months, so a recap of the story, ***(you can skip this part)*** Wren, Ivy, Sky, and Leaf (I have plans for the others) are looking for the golden dragon, (sunny) after she ran off with their treasure, and she's one dragon closer to peace between humans and scavengers, leaf gets swooped up by Winter, who he calls icicle, and is brought to Jade Mountian as Bandit. There he meets Desert Moon, a night-sand hibrid, also daughter of Thrn and Stonemover, who told her that Thorn tried to kill her as an egg, forcing her to go into hiding, They bump into Winter because Desert oon has a Pink heart, making her able to read/speak all languages, (idea from the book "Sunny and the Pink heart" by CearsightMarella, yeah, don't worry it's not copyright we worked it out) and Leaf wanted to communicat with his captor, meanwhile Sky is captured b the indistructible city, Wren almost goes on a killing spree, flies on a different dragon to get to deathbringer (murderbasket) asking for help because 2 humans don't stand a chance against a citywith no escape, but he refuses ecause he has a fear of scavengers, and scavengers ho can capture a dragon does not sond like a walk in the part for him, so he gives them marukya, a rainwing who has a unique personalit, and they go off and rescue sky, and Ivy discoveres that her mom now workes as a "porqupine" soilder for the indistructable cit, that's where we left off. oop, and back to the mountain, Ostrige accidentally stabs Desert Moon while she's in her hiding zone, with her tail barb. that's where we left off.

that last paragraph, I haven't edited, so it might be confusing, with unnecessary commas or typos. BACK TO THE STORY!

Ivy rushed over to her mom and looked her in the eye, confusion, concern, and relief cascading through her In a wired way. "What happened?" she managed to whisper, forgetting the 2 dragons and hallway full of guards.

"Your dad... wet through a mental breakdown after you stripped everything from him. Not only that, but the villagers want him to repay all those ears of lying, banishment, and the recent attempt of murder," Lark said quietly. She then continued to explain how some of the villagers wanted her to repay some too. they decided since she hadn't been directly a part of The Dragonslayer- or, rather, Ivy's dad's lies, that they would go ith simply her moving out of Valor, and never being able to spend a night in the tunnels.

by the time Lark had stopped explaining, everyone in the room was silent, that is, until a guard burst into the room and yelled, "THE DRAGON IS FREE! AND THERE'S ANOTHER WITH HIM!" and chaos and screaming as some guards ran as far away as they could, and others hesitated before running towards the prison where Ivy and Sky were.

sooo that one was short. I plan to update frequently now, though!

Chapter 19 ~~ MenWhIlE aT ThE MoNtIaN... (Leaf)

Leaf was sitting in his cage (Which was HIGHLY unnecessary, he and Ici-*Winter* were getting along... *stupid untrusting dragons*) under a pile of fur blankets that still smelled like the animal who produced them. He had started to get used to the dragons everywhere, though he *was* technically still a prisoner, despite his friends, (or friend, non-plural) But still missed Wren, and Daffodil, and Sky, and *Ivy*...

That lead him to Ivy's goal. To create peace between Dragons and humans, although now the brown and golden dragon weren't the only ones who could help. Winter was a little grumpy, but leaf had worked on talking him into a scavenger-human village, and to that, he scoffed,

"I'll do that when I confess my love to a *NightWing*...AND HYBRIDS DON'T COUNT!" So. That didn't go as planned.

But Desert Moon was perfectly willing to help... as long as the murderous scavengers who killed queen oasis and- to leaf's dismay- their family, weren't allowed, just to be safe. So. back to plan a. Escape. maybe bring desert Moon with him, and winter, if he could. Introduce them to Ivy, lets them see how wonderful she was, and immediately create peace...! If, that is desert moon would lt her father rt in stone and if winter eve agreed to leave the loudmouth Desert Dragon

Leaf sighed and decided to sneak into the "hospital" which was mostly Rainforest Dragons giving you sleeping fruit and Swamp Dragpns swapping your injury. He squeezed through the bar and climbed down he rocky slopes, and hiding behind stalagmites whenever he heard talons. eventually he made it to the hospital, where a few new patients had been brought in, one of them looked like a rightwing, although the snout was a bit off, and the entire room was filled with the smell of ash. Desert Moon was nowhere to

be seen. *Of course,* He thought *She would want as little dragons to see her as possible, nd neshe knew she was in the safe of not dying, she's off.*

About half an hour and 3 Winter-roaring-and-coming-after-hims later, he found Desert Moon in a cave, not far off from her dad's, yet still secluded from the rest of the mountain. she was holding a sapphire, the same one, it seemed like the one Ivy had given to the golden dragon *I know the golden dragon is* here, he thought, then, when he thought back more he realized it was the same one the grumpy sky wing with the melted fae had given him. *Come to think of it, how did HE gt it?* Desert Moon had an odd expression n that he had only seen on Winter before... and the one he had on himself when Ivy's around. *I that...Love? Do dragons really have the capability to love each other?* Not that he was surprised, after all he had learned. He wanted to wake her up, t talk to her, but she looked so happy... so he decided to bother that fossil instead. He sauntered into the cave and sat down right in front of Unmoving stone's snout.

"grrroooooooouw," he growled slowly, the did a dragon sigh.

"so you're saying Desert Moon is too far away," he concluded.

Unmoving tilted his head, well tried to, there was a dangerous cracking sound in his neck when he tried to, so he immediately put it back. "rrou"

"I agree," Leaf said, Then stood up and left the room.

Chapter 20~~ Boss battle! oops, nevermind not yet... (Wren)

Wren Looked down at her feet. or, rather, the ground.

"This is so wired," She whispered to Marukya in Dragon.

Marukya paused for a moment, then hissed, "I'm rolling my eyes. we do it as DRAGONETS"

"You mean raid fortresses meant to kill your favorite species to save your best friend and possibly kill whoever's in charge?" Wren shot back

"...no," Maracuya responded slowly.

"Well, I have experience."

Marukya snorted in disbelief.

A few moments passed when Marukya said, "look, I don't like making enemies, but I think both of us are going to need to drop our sass for this to work."

Wren groaned. She certainly wasn't used to working with people like her- *one* Wren was enough. "Fine," she said after a few moments.

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Wren was surprised at how few Guards there were in the tunnels. there were a few villagers who she had t Dodge, but only one or

two guards looking half-asleep. *Either that's a good sign or a bad sign,* Wren thought. *Let's just plan for the worst, hope for the best.* Soon they reached a metal door with the words,

"Do not enter without permission

by the law of the Indestructible Lord himself"

"This looks promising," Wren muttered to *herself,* although Marukya responded,

"What does it say?" Maracuya said sharply

"'Do not enter without my, um," Wren paused and tried to find the right word in Dragon. "acceptance, by the rules of the indestructible queen himself." a moment passed until She felt the air go past her, the hallway rippling, then a loud *CLANG* on the door followed by a soft "ow"

Wren paused and stared at the "ow".

"I assume you intended to knock the door down?" she asked Maracuya, who appeared in front of her, a few white scales rippling through her.

"it USUALLY works!" she replied defensively.

"Allow ME," Wren said, pulling out her sword, overbalancing, and falling on Maracuya.

"riiiiiiight. good job," Maracuya remarked

"Give me a moment!!" Wren said, grabbed the sword again, thrust it into a gap, and plied the door open. That is, after a few moments and a dragon helping her out.

IGNORE THE PHYSICS THIS IS FICTION lol

Wren tumbled into the room and found, little to her surprise, a Heck ton of guards. Of course, she was SMART and kept her INVISIBILITY ON, unlike SOME dragons who ruined her sneak attack plan. This dragon was, of course, the only thing they saw.

but that was enough. about 60 fearful eyes surrounded in a porcupine costume stared at Maracuya.

"oopsIforgotabouttheguards," she muttered.

"YEAH you did," Wren muttered to her, grabbing the air around her back until she found her sword.

Wren lunged at one of the guards knocking his helmet off. one after another, dodging their pitiful misses when they tried to attack her in return until she found who she was looking for. there was one particularly short "guard" with gold lining his armor. Wren grabbed his helmet, threw it at a guard, and yanked undauntable off his feet

and YOU were wondering where he went c(:

"Come ON you little traitor!" she hissed at him in Human, hen wrapped the chain around him before he could protest. "I need to interrogate you about where your dad is and then face him nobly! come ON!" squeezed through a tight gap in the confused guards praying to the moons above that he didn't bump into one.

"Noooooo he's going to kill me if I do that!" Undauntable complained when they got out of the cave.

"He'll kill ME if you DON'T," were said. "so COME ON."

Undauntable paused as if he was thinking through what she had just said.

Wren graned and hoisted a unessasarily and stubborn and heavy undauntable on to Maracuya's back, and ran back to Sky.

Chapter 21~~ (Ivy)

I've gotten a little rusty in terms of fight scenes, but I'll give this a shot... or just stall ad leave you o a cliffhanger? yeah, that sounds better.

Ivy jumped as Wren slammed into the room. We got 'im! Sky! do your stuff!" Sy straightened his shoulders and did a fairly bad attempt at a glare toward undauntable "Now. Wren said you have 10 seconds to tell us where your dad is before We set your suit on fire- oh wait ten seconds just passed. NOW you have 10 seconds. GO."

Undauntable opened his mouth close it, then yelled "DA** IT WRITER JUST MAKE ME SAY SOMETHING ALREADY!!!"

You just did (I had a blanck out and when I finally thought of what he was going to say it was 5 minutes later ;))

"Walk that way," He pointed left down the hallway. " until the torches start to have gold lining on them. Then it's the second door to your right."

"Thanks!" Wren said cheerfully "I'm-a go slay a murderer now. see ya soon!"

"Oh NO, YOU DON'T Ivy said, grabbing her sword belt and hauling him into the room "You're going to take at LEAST two dragons and another Person whohasblackhaiandlikestodrawdragons."

Wren paused, as f thinking through what she had just said, then nodded. "ok. Your mom can come with us too. I have a plan, I hate it already though. "

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Wren MArched into the room, her sword drawn. "HEY!" She yelled at the Figure at the back of the room. "WE HAVE YOUR SON HOSTAGE! SURRENDER AND HE-butnotyoubcasyou'reajerk WILL BE FREE!"

oooooh no, you guys are going to hate me...

"ooh, I doubt that," Ivy froze. *no,* She thought. *This will kill Violet.* Forest turned around and Grinned at Ivy

beware the talons of power and fire,

beware the one who is not as he seems...